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SUBJ: NORTH KOREAN TRADE DELEGATION

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1. ACCORDING TO A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN WHO HAPPENS TO HAVE GOOD CONTACTS WITH THE DPRK EMBASSY, NORTH KOREAN TRADE DELEGATION VISITED CAIRO JUNE 22-25 AT LONG STANDING INVITATION OF EGYPTIAN MARITIME TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (MARTRANS). VISIT DID NOT RECEIVE PRESS NOTICE ALTHOUGH ITS PURPOSE, ACCORDING TO SOURCE, PRIMARILY PUBLIC RELATIONS GESTURE. SOME SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION DID TAKE PLACE, HOWEVER, OVER FUTURE SHIPMENTS OF NORTH KOREAN TEXTILES.

2. COMMENT: MARTRANS AND DPRK HAVE BEEN CLOSELY INVOLVED IN SHIPMENT OF NORTH KOREAN TEXTILES AND READY-MADE CLOTHING TO EGYPT. MARTRANS ITSELF IS A UNIT OF THE GOVERNMENT'S GENERAL AUTHORITY FOR MARINE TRANSPORT. GOE'S RELATIONS WITH DPRK HAVE BEEN CLOSE, PARTICULARLY SINCE DPRK REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN WILLING TO SELL EGYPT WEAPONS. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO FIRM INFORMATION, IT NOT AT ALL UNLIKELY THAT GOE WOULD CANCEL VISIT OF ROK DELEGATION IF IT

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CONFICTED WITH INVITATION TO DPRK FROM GOVERNMENT ENTITY SUCH AS MARTRANS. EILTS

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